

THE OFFICAL E-NEWSLETTER FROM SUPERVISOR STEVE F. TAYLOR

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# COUNTY ASSIGNMENTS:

Board of Supervisors, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chairman

Economic & Community Development -- Chairman

Parks, Energy & Environment

Transportation, Public Works and Transit

Milwaukee County Commission on Aging

Milwaukee Child Welfare Partnership Council Dear Friends,

I hope you had an enjoyable holiday season and are well on your way to fulfilling your New Year's resolutions. I was grateful to have been able to spend my time with friends and family and, thankfully, so far the weather has been much more tolerable compared to last year.

Progress is being made on numerous road projects in the 9th District and my redistricting reform proposal is making its way through the County Board's committee structure in a positive manner. As the Board is preparing to go parttime after the spring election, I am working to set up a procedure that will allow my office to continue to serve you in the manner to which you are accustomed.



Supervisor Taylor, along with Supervisor Mayo, Chairman Lipscomb and Sheriff Clarke, at the Sheriff's Deputy Graduation ceremony.

I encourage you to contact me with any ideas or concerns regarding Milwaukee County that you may have. It is very important for me to hear your input and advice. As I have said in the past and will say again, it is an honor to serve you and, together with your help, I am certain that we can *Move Milwaukee County Forward*.

All My Best,

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### SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES GRADUATION

Earlier this month, Supervisor Taylor attended Milwaukee County's first deputy sheriff graduation ceremony held since 2003. The 27 members of Deputy Class #80 began their sixmonth, 760 hour training program in July and are now ready to accept the responsibilities associated with being a Sheriff's Deputy in Milwaukee County. During the May 2015 County Board meeting, Supervisor Taylor voted to allow Sheriff David Clarke to hire up to 30 new deputies for the first time in over a decade. The resolution passed, 16-2. County Executive Chris Abele vetoed this resolution. Supervisor Taylor, along with 17 other supervisors, voted to override the veto, reinforcing his commitment to public safety and lessening the Sheriff's Department's costly overtime burden. Congratulations to the Department's 27 newest deputies!

### GIRL SCOUTS VISIT THE COURTHOUSE

Girl Scout Troop 9145 from Meadowview Elementary School in Oak Creek visited the Milwaukee County Courthouse earlier this month. This hands-on introduction to local government gave the troop the opportunity to tour the Courthouse, including the Board offices and meeting chamber. They also met a number of supervisors and Board staff members and saw first-hand the day-to-day functions of the County's legislative branch. Thanks to the parents, troop leaders and Girl Scouts of Troop 9145 for an educational, fun-filled day at the Courthouse!



# LEGISLATIVE ROUNDUP

The County Board met for its most recent regularly scheduled meeting on December 17<sup>th</sup>. The most pertinent legislation considered included:

- Supervisor Taylor voted in favor of a resolution that would have permitted the County Parks Department to negotiate and execute a lease agreement with the City of Greenfield to transfer Kulwicki Park's improvement and maintenance responsibilities to the City. The resolution failed, 5-12.
- Supervisor Taylor voted against suspending the rules to consider a resolution that would support the District Attorney's appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court of the court order halting the "John Doe II" investigation. This resolution would also pledge funds to pay for the appeal and/or any related litigation. The measure, which required a 2/3 vote of supervisors, failed 9-8.
- Supervisor Taylor introduced his Milwaukee County redistricting resolution at the Board's December 3<sup>rd</sup> Judiciary, Safety and General Services Committee. Since then, he has solicited feedback from fellow supervisors and community stakeholders about how to best implement the reform. The resolution will strive to transfer redistricting powers from politicians to an independent panel. The updated redistricting reform resolution is expected to appear in front of the County Board for a final vote at the March 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

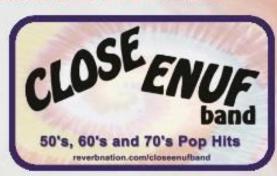
The next meeting of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors will be held on Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup> in Courthouse Room 200. To view the votes on all actions taken by the County Board and its committees, please visit the Milwaukee County Legislative Information Center.

# FBBG's 2nd Annual Valentine's Day Hop

FEATURING...

WITH SPECIAL GUESTS ...





SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2016 | 7PM-11PM

CLOSE ENUF FROM 7PM—8:30PM LIVERPOOL '64 FROM 9PM—11PM

FEATURING ALL OF YOUR FAVORITE SONGS FROM THE BEATLES...
PLUS TONS OF POP HITS FROM THE 50S, 60S & 70S!

## DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS FUN NIGHT OUT!

Live Music • Dance Floor • Apps for purchase from Zilli Hospitality Group •
Cash Bar • Raffles • Tons of prizes • Beatles Memorabilia for sale
• Candy Bouquets • AND MUCH MORE!



\$40 PER COUPLE / \$25 PER INDIVIDUAL



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### WEHR NATURE CENTER

#### Chili Cook-Off

Saturday, February 6th 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Calling all chili lovers! Up to eight cooks will compete for "best recipe" trophy" - and, the first 75 guests will have the chance to sample each chili and vote for their favorites. Meals are accompanied by a beverage of your choice, assorted sides and dessert. A winter-themed silent auction will follow dinner. Reservation deadline is January 29th; walk-ins are welcome as space allows. Meals are \$20 per Call (414)425-8550 reservations.



## Please click here for the entire Milwaukee County Parks **Event Calendar**

# Milwaukee County Free Days! Complimentary admission to Milwaukee County residents

ONLY with valid photo ID on the following days:



FREE the first Thursday of each

Free for all visitors. Visit mam.org for additional details





Special Holiday Free Days: Thanksgiving, Christmas Day & New Year's Day

Visit milwaukeezoo.org for additional details



#### **BOERNER CORNER**

#### Sunday Brunch at the Gardens

Every Sunday from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Zilli Hospitality Group welcomes you to Boerner Botanical Gardens to experience fine cuisine, including the year-round champagne brunch, amid a spectacular natural setting. The Garden Room's floor-to-ceiling windows bring the beauty of this horticultural showplace right to your table every time of year. Brunch is \$21.95 for adults, \$10.95 for children. Click here to make reservations or call (414) 525-5619.

### WEHR NATURE CENTER

## **Maple Tapping Workshop**

Sunday, February 28th 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

Join an expert maple syrup maker and learn how to turn your backyard maple tree into liquid gold! This workshop will teach you how to identify a suitable tree, the tricks of tapping, how to boildown sap and how to finish off and store sap. Sample delicious syrup on pancakes and take home a set of sapping supplies, including a spike, bag and holder. Reservations will guarantee a spot, but walk-ins will be accommodated as space allows. The cost is \$25 per person, \$20 for Friends of Wehr members. Click here for more information.

# MILWAUKEE PUBLIC MUSEUM

# 18th Annual Food & Froth Fest

Saturday, February 20th 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

Don't miss your opportunity to tip back with a t-rex or snap a selfie with the MPM snake. Join over 2,000 other Public Museum supporters at this delicious event. This annual fundraiser features a wide variety of beers and food to sample, as well as live music and entertainment on exhibit floors. Admission tickets include a commemorative take-home beer sampling glass. VIP and general admission tickets are still available for purchase. 21+ only. The cost is \$75 for general admission and \$125 for VIP tickets. Click here for additional information and to purchase tickets.